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Reserve Now for County Park Events

**LAKE COUNTY CA** (August 14, 2014) – Record numbers of reservations have been received by the Public Services Department to use county park facilities this season. County parks are open from dawn till dusk to provide residents and guests with a variety of amenities in attractive outdoor settings. Different county parks have different amenities including playgrounds, barbeques, boat docks, tennis courts, pools, picnic area and sports areas. The Park staff take great pride in maintaining the landscaping and facilities for public use.

The Public Service staff utilizes the Park reservation system to prevent scheduling conflicts, ensure people have the space they want reserved and that they have obtained any and all permits for the type of use requested. Some of the more heavily used County parks are Lakeside County Park, Middletown Park, Lakeport Museum Park, and Lower Lake Park. The most common types of reserved events include community events, cycling check points and rest stations, birthday parties, weddings, fishing tournaments, showers, baseball tournaments, soccer practice, and family reunions. Most of the time the park permit and reservation is free of charge. To help people prepare for a gathering or event at a County park the County recommends:

- ✓ Plan ahead by calling the Public Services Department well in advance to see if the time and date you are requesting are open. Smaller events of 25-50 people should be reserved at least 3 weeks in advance. Larger events of 50 or more people should be started 30-60 days in advance. Community events should start the process 60 days in advance to allow time to acquire all other associated permits and approvals.
- ✓ Obtain an application/facility use permit on-line, by e-mail or in person. Fill out and return with all required documentation and signatures before the permit is approved and reservations are finalized. All use permits must be approved by the Director once all required documents have been received.
- ✓ Ensure all planned activities are on the permit to help County staff identify any other permits needed. Some events and uses (large gathering, food for sale, bouncy house, or serving liquor) require insurance and other permits. Public Services staff will assist in identifying these needs and contacts.
- ✓ The Public Services Department requests that the event organizer sign a clean-up agreement to return the park and facility to its original state for the next user.

For a complete listing of all parks and their amenities and for park usage applications and instructions visit the County's website at: ([http://www.co.lake.ca.us/Government/Directory/Parks\\_and\\_Recreation/PropertyUse.htm](http://www.co.lake.ca.us/Government/Directory/Parks_and_Recreation/PropertyUse.htm))

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